

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1651  
**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q95279

Naoko KIDA, et al.

Application No.: 10/581,911

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 8940

Examiner: Thane E UNDERDAHL

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For: METHOD FOR THREE-DIMENSIONAL CARTILAGE TISSUE ENGINEERING  
USING BONE MARROW CELLS IN SIMULATED MICROGRAVITY  
ENVIRONMENT

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2008, please consider the remarks  
in the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.